

ABSOLUTE RATING: Unsatisfactory
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Unsatisfactory

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 19. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to good. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Unsatisfactory	Unsatisfactory
2002		
2003		
2004		

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	34.1	38.9	49.5	54.9	50.4	58.6
• Passed 2 subtests	24.6	26.5	24.1	20.9	22.3	20.4
• Passed 1 subtest	24.6	18.9	15.6	14.7	16.2	12.3
• Passed no subtests	16.8	15.7	10.8	9.5	11.1	8.8

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships	3.9%	10.1%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	3.9%	10.8%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	3.9%	41.4%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Seniors		
	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
All students	87.2%	3.9%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	50.0%	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	87.8%	4.0%	
Gender			
Male	86.7%	4.7%	
Female	86.8%	3.8%	
Ethnic Group			
African American	86.0%	3.1%	
Hispanic	N/A	0.0%	
White	100.0%	15.4%	
Other	N/A	N/A	
Lunch Status			
Free/reduced-price lunch	82.8%	0.0%	
Pay for lunch	95.4%	N/A	

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	77.7%
Completers placed	N/A
Eligible students enrolled	13.4%

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$5,198	N/A	\$5,775	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	82.6%	Up from 40.3%	88.4%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	28.3 to 1	N/A	24.3 to 1	25.1 to 1
STUDENTS (n=1,003)				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	6.7%	N/A	8.6%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	89.4%	Down from 91.8%	95.0%	95.3%
• Retention rate	12.4%	Down from 14.6%	12.4%	10.0%
TEACHERS (n=67)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	5.0 Days	N/A	8.3 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	94.4%	Up from 58.9%	95.3%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	46.3%	Up from 45.3%	41.5%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	71.6%	Down from 77.6%	73.7%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	3.0%	Up from 0.0%	4.6%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	76.2%	Down from 82.1%	83.0%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$37,687	Up 7.3%	\$36,913	\$38,125

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	2.7%	Down from 2.9%	2.5%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	58.1%	N/A	54.2%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	6.0	N/A	2.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	65.6%	N/A	65.6%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Excellent
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	15.2%	Down from 19.8%	13.1%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	39	N/A	35	29
• Gifted and talented	2.9%	N/A	5.7%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	14.2%	Up from 11.0%	12.9%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	7.2%	N/A	6.1%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	134	N/A	215	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	27.9%	N/A	22.8%	23.1%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Fairfield Central High serves 933 students in grades ninth through twelfth. Of this number, 87% are black, 12% are white, and other ethnic groups compose the remaining one percent. The faculty consists of 72 classroom teachers of which 68 were certified and the remaining 4 were enrolled in the Critical Needs Program. Approximately 54% of the student population receive free or reduced lunch.

The instructional program, based on the state standards, consists of Advanced Placement, Honors, College Prep, Tech Prep, and vocational classes. There are three self-contained classes and three resource classes for the special needs students.

Fairfield Central High School completed the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools five-year review process and received an approval rating. We are pleased to maintain our SACS accreditation.

Fairfield Central High School has established a distance education classroom to provide opportunities for students to take a wide range of courses. There are three other state-of-the-art computer labs in the building, all connected to the Internet. In addition, all classrooms have computers that are Internet-connected. This is in keeping with our commitment to provide excellence in education for all students.

There were eight honor graduates in the class of 2001 and six seniors qualified for Life Scholarships. Seniors were offered more than \$600 thousand in scholarships. Twenty-five students earned 1000 or more on the SAT.

The Parent-Teacher Survey Association was re-established in 2000-01.

Fairfield Central High School looks forward to a school year where students know the importance of being on time, being well groomed, and having a positive hard-working attitude.

We want to share the "Pride and Performance" with you.

Helena Aburime
Principal

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	N/A	N/A	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	N/A	N/A	
Satisfied with home-school relations	N/A	N/A	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades 9-12 High School

Enrollment: 1,003 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Unsatisfactory



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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